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#### III. THE WEST

### Brazilian Economic Unrest May Lead to Riots

Social unrest over the cost of living and shortages of staple foods has mounted in the past week in industrial Sao Paulo and could lead to strikes and riots which would probably be exploited by the Communists, according to the American Consulate General. Sao Paulo states officials are concerned over the situation, and the governor reportedly conferred with President Kubitschek on 14 August about security measures. The police would probably have difficulty controlling a mass demonstration and might have to summon army reinforcements.

The cost of living in Sao Paulo increased over 17 percent in the first five months of the year and probably rose even more in July and August as a result of the food shortages. The federal government's emergency program to control prices and increase food production, instituted last March, brought some temporary relief but has not yet had a major impact on the situation.

A business recession in Sao Paulo and extensive unemployment in the construction industry are probably contributing to the unrest. The American Embassy has reported growing public impatience in Rio de Janeiro with shortages and price increases, and demonstrations have occurred in other cities.

The press has reported an announcement by the Brazilian Federal Price Control Agency that the government may take over foreign-owned meat-packing firms in an effort to relieve the current shortage of meat. This threat is probably intended partly to divert attention from other more serious basic shortages, as well as to force the meat-packing companies to resume operations under government price controls.

Protests over the cost of living and the business recession
will probably reinforce <b>P</b> resident <b>K</b> ubitschek's reluctance to adopt
an austerity program as a basis for reopening loan talks with the
International Monetary Fund. Brazil's dollar receipts were unex-
pectedly high in July, but a new foreign-exchange crisis is likely
within a few months.
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